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THE WATER SUPPLY.

The unusually dry season has demonstrated one fact of great importance to the people of Helena, and one which should not be lost sight of until a remedy is found. The fact has been noted in the INDEPENDENT upon several occasions that one of the water companies' reservoirs is practically empty, and has been for a fortnight, while the supply for domestic purposes furnished by the municipal company is reduced to the minimum. Fortunately, however, there is no scarcity of water for the fire hydrants. While the precipitation the last ten months has been far below the average, there can be no assurance that the same condition of affairs will not recur next year, or two or three years hence, when the demand upon the water works of the city will have doubled, judging by the present rate of increase of population. It is therefore apparent that something must be done to insure a more reliable as well as a more abundant water supply for the city. The suggestion that the Missouri be made the source of supply is not entirely satisfactory, because the practical application of it involves large expense of construction and operation. The proposition to conduct the water hither by means of open canals is utterly impracticable. The subject has attracted the attention of the city council, which adopted the following resolution offered by Alderman Loeb:

"Resolved, That Mr. G. N. Miller, superintendent of the sewer department, be instructed to examine into and report upon the feasibility of establishing a system of water works for the supply of the city of Helena for both public and private use, to be constructed and owned by said city. Said superintendent in making his report will give the contemplated source of water supply, nature of work required, and estimate of probable cost, and will report on the subject as early as practicable; and the said superintendent will be allowed such compensation as the city council may deem proper, which shall not exceed \$500."

It is doubtful if the city engineer can make as thorough an examination of the subject as its importance demands at an expense not exceeding \$300, for it would be advisable, while he is about it, to examine other plans than the Missouri river one. Engineers are of the opinion that it would be possible to establish a storage reservoir at some point within reasonable distance of Helena, to be fed by convenient creeks, at an elevation which would do away with the necessity for a double or treble pumping system such as would be required to bring the water from the Missouri. The sum specified in Mr. Loeb's resolution may suffice for preliminary work, but it would be poor economy to stop with that unless it is demonstrated beyond question that such a sure and abundant source of supply has been ascertained, and which can be obtained by the city. Of course, if either of the companies now under contract to supply the city will set to work to extend its system to meet the present and growing requirements, the city government will be relieved from any necessity of prosecuting the work in contemplation. As neither has yet shown any disposition to move in the matter, the duty of the council is plain.

MR. KENNEDY'S CANDIDACY.

Councilman Kennedy has announced himself as an independent candidate for member of the constitutional convention for Jefferson county, in advance of the meeting of the nominating convention of either party. In his address to the voters of the county he explains some of the measures he will advocate in the convention, should he be elected. One of these is ineligibility of the governor (and perhaps some other of the state officers) for re-election; prohibition of the sale of school lands; retention in office of the present county officials for the terms for which they were elected, and extension of the period of residence required for citizenship to one year. Mr. Kennedy's position on the subject of school lands is the right one, without doubt, and one which has proved eminently satisfactory in states where it has been adopted, and there appears to be no reason to question either the justice or the expediency of the proposition regarding the terms of county officers chosen at the election last November. But there seems to be no good reason for the adoption of a rule which would render a governor ineligible to succeed himself. That is a question that may safely be left to the voters themselves whenever the question may arise. It would be inexpedient in the state to deny itself the services of an executive officer should his administration have been so satisfactory as to suggest the propriety of his re-election. As to the suggestion that under the state government residence in the state one year be required to qualify a person to exercise the elective franchise, that is the rule prevailing in a majority of the states, and with the advance Montana has been making the last few years in population there can be no good argument advanced against it. The ease with which voters are made in some states is in the minds of many thinking people a strong argument for reform in the American system of government.

Mr. Kennedy has one plank in his independent platform not mentioned above which no convention or candidate would care to oppose—one which should need no affirmation by either "regulars" or

independents—and that is, a fair and equitable apportionment of the state for the election of members of the legislature. The good sense of the proposition will surely keep it from committing or attempting any injustice in that direction, which would be sure to react upon the party responsible.

On the whole, Mr. Kennedy's candidacy does not bring out any proposition that is surprisingly new or that calls for the appearance of an independent candidate in the field. Most of his suggestions are such as will excite no controversy in the constitutional convention, where there is little reason to suppose that his one-term idea will find half a score of supporters in the convention of seventy-five members.

COL. DE GIBBS, who was a candidate for congress in one of the Texas districts, is regarded as the administration representative in that state for the distribution of government offices, although he has a rival in the person of Mr. Cuney, a negro, who was also a candidate for congress. Mrs. Morrow, a widowed daughter of the famous Sam Houston, has been postmistress at Abilene for a number of years, both under the democratic and republican administrations. De Gress wanted the place for a "ruster," and represented the necessities of the case to the postoffice department, but the gallant Cuney has come to the rescue, backed by a numerous signed petition, and there is a prospect that the widow may be spared to look after the mails of Abilene for some time to come.

CHANCEY L. FILLEY, the ex-republican boss of St. Louis, is to be given the Hong Kong consulate, in recognition of his past services to the party. The Globe-Herald, which does not love Mr. Filley, intimates that there will be opposition to his confirmation by the senate. The salary of the office is but \$5,000 a year, but the understanding is that ex-Guerilla Mosby was \$100,000 richer at the end of his term as consul at Hong Kong than when he accepted the position.

A SYNDICATE of English and New York capitalists are about to invest \$2,000,000 in the development of tin mines near Rapid City, in the Black hills of Dakota. It is not generally known that fine specimens of tin ore, bearing a close resemblance to the best ores of Wales, have been found near Helena, and it is quite within the bounds of possibility that there are here as good tin mines as can be found anywhere in the world.

THE demand for a renewal of street sprinkling by the city is very general. The plan of paying for the work by private subscription is impracticable, except in a few business squares down town. In the residence portion it is impossible to get the dust laid unless it is done by the city and the cost charged as a tax upon the property.

TERRITORIAL JOTTINGS.

New Idea: The twentieth anniversary of the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Ward, of Corvallis, occurred last Sunday and was the occasion of a very happy reunion of old and new friends.

The Choteau Calumet nominates Hon. Jesse F. Taylor for delegate to the constitutional convention, but without Mr. Taylor's knowledge or consent. The county cannot produce a more competent or in any respect a more desirable candidate for this important position.

Choteau Calumet: If not exactly booming, Choteau real estate is held at high figures, and dwellings, stores or saloons command enormous prices. A house that costs three or four hundred dollars to build, rents easily for the same amount per annum. There is no better investment than building and renting houses in Choteau.

Choteau Calumet: Bishop Brewer appears to have left Choteau out of his appointments this year. This is deeply regretted, but Choteau has learned to surmount short rations of religion. Sunset Cox is coming to Montana to help change the bad politics of some of our republican counties. His mission being to preach to sinners only, he probably will, like Bishop Brewer, leave Choteau out of his circuit.

Glendive Independent: Many of the prominent dwellers on the north side of the Missouri river are anxious to have Major D. O. Cowen nominated as delegate to the constitutional convention. Mr. Cowen would make a good race and is well qualified in every respect to represent Dawson county. The democratic county central committee think it is not advisable to call a county convention, as everyone who has been approached unanimously endorses Major Cowen.

A Correspondent in Luck.

HELENA, April 24.—[To the Editor.]—Noting letter for your special correspondent under date of April 16, I beg to inform you, in which the well informed special correspondent gives our humble stage line from Billings to Red Lodge a large, strong and gratuitous advertisement, we write, asking that if convenient and desirable, when your Red Lodge correspondent decides to return from the land of coal, mixed townships and lot jumpers, that we be duly advised of the exact date thereof, and a special red-wheeled Concord coach will be ordered on for that trip, with our pet driver, who speaks seven different languages, including Latin and Greek, and who has not taken a chew of tobacco since '74. A banquet will be spread at every station en route, and all the large rocks rolling from the top of a brass band will be ordered on for that trip, if desired, and all the Indians and cow men requested to keep out of sight until the special correspondent sails by. If the said Red Lodge news hunter paid his fare upon the last trip up, please request him to call at our office upon his return and we will give him a rebate.

CHANGE OF TIME.

Through Chair Cars to Kansas City. The Minneapolis & St. Louis railway, "Albert Lea Route," ever ready to meet the demands of the traveling public, upon March 17th, 1889, inaugurated a through chair car service between St. Paul, Minneapolis and Kansas City, leaving St. Paul daily, except Sunday, at 9:30 a. m., Minneapolis at 9:30 a. m.

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THE MARKETS.

STOCKS.
New York, April 24.—Bar silver, 92.
Copper—Nominal; April, \$13.50.
Lead—Steady; domestic, \$10.
The stock market continues to do a decreasing volume of business and to-day was the dullist in shares experienced for some time. There was, however, a marked change in the temper of dealings from those of yesterday and weakness all disappeared. There was a general upward tendency, with a few important exceptions the latter list is fractionally higher this evening. Government bonds dull and steady.

Petroleum opened steady at 8 1/4, closing firm at 8 1/4.
Government bonds, 4s, 109 1/2; 4 1/2s, 109 1/2; Northern Pacific, 104; preferred, 104; Union Pacific, 104; improvement, 104; Transcontinental, 104; Union Pacific, 104.
Money on call easy at 5 1/2; per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4 1/2. Sterling exchange dull and steady. Sixty-day bill \$1 1/2. Demand \$4.50.

LIVE STOCK.
Chicago April 24.—Cattle—Receipts, 15,000; weak and lower; heavy, \$1 1/2; light, \$1 1/4; stockers and feeders, \$1 1/4 to \$1 1/2.

Hogs—Receipts, 7,000; slow; heavy, \$1 1/2; light, \$1 1/4; corn-fed, \$1 1/4 to \$1 1/2; shorn, \$1 1/4 to \$1 1/2.

CHICAGO PRODUCE.
Chicago, April 24.—1 1/2 p. m. Close—Wheat—Steady; cash, 79 1/2; May, 79 1/2; July, 79 1/2. Corn—Firm; May, 34 1/2; July, 34 1/2. Oats—Steady; cash, 23 1/2; May, 23 1/2; July, 23 1/2.

Pork—Steady; May, \$11.50; July, \$11.50. Lard—Steady; May, \$6.00; July, \$6.00.

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A bond with two sufficient sureties in a sum of at least twenty (20) per cent. of the gross amount of the contract, must accompany each proposal.

The city reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

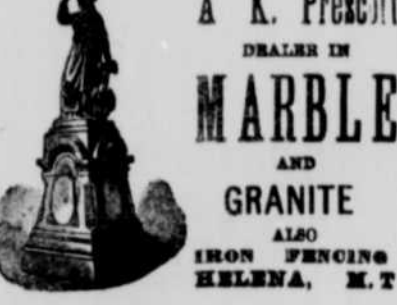
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